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### HEARING SYNOPSIS

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April 28, 2022 Agenda (40th Meeting)

Present: Ganaban, Minn, Miyashiro, Hullinger

## APPROVED AT PRELIMINARY HEARING

[Comm. Minn moved for approval; Comm. Hullinger seconded; Vote 4:0]

Hale Vietnam, Inc., dba Hale Vietnam Restaurant 1140 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue Restaurant General license (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)

## OTHER LICENSE/APPLICATION/REQUEST GRANTED

[Comm. Minn moved for approval; Comm. Hullinger seconded; Vote 4:0]

Bamboo Catering Inc., dba Bamboo Catering 2454 South Beretania Street, 5th floor (Japanese Cultural Center) Approval to change event date from May 13, 2022 to July 22, 2022 (Application approved on April 21, 2022 for event on May 13, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.)

Groove Child Charities
1525 Bernice Street (Bishop Museum)
Special [Non-Profit] General license on Friday, May 20, 2022, from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
(Masego at the Great Lawn)

Anyplace, Inc., dba Anyplace Cocktail Lounge
1018 McCully Sreet, the former site of The Social Honolulu Eatery and Bar
[Stand-Alone] Temporary Restaurant General license (Category No. 2 - Live entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

Don Goyo's Mexican Food Inc., dba Don Goyo's Mexican Food
Restaurant General license (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
45-480 Kaneohe Bay Drive, Space #D-03, Kaneohe
Approval to temporarily increase its licensed premises from Thursday, May 5, 2022 to Saturday, May 7, 2022,
daily from 6:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight (Cinco De Mayo event)

LP Butterfly LLC, dba Margaritas

Restaurant General license (Category No. 2 - Live entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing) 808 Sheridan Street

Waiver of Rule 3-82-38.3 to allow the production, storage, and service of premade alcoholic beverages

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Inagaki, Inc., dba Ohana Karaoke 2 & BBQ

Restaurant General license (Category No. 2 - Live entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing) 47-388 Hui Iwa Street, Kaneohe

Approval of the following:

- 1) Reconsideration of the Decision & Order for LCV 21-0093 dated July 1, 2021;
- 2) Waiver of the fifteen (15) day deadline imposed by Rule 3-85-91.10

Wayne Luke, Esq., on behalf of WSCS, LLC, landlord

Premises located at 45-480 Kaneohe Bay Drive, Building D, #4, Kaneohe (Windward City Shopping Center) Approval to cancel Restaurant General license (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar) held by Cajun King Kaneohe Inc., dba Cajun King Kaneohe Inc.

#### Liquor Commission

Re: Aloha Pronto Waikiki, LLC, dba Aloha Beer Downtown, Restaurant General license (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing), 220 South King Street (R1431) – Review of extended six-month probationary period

(Request No. 21-22919 to permanently alter its licensed premises was approved on April 15, 2021, with conditions; licensee placed on six-month probationary period (4/15/21 to 10/15/21)) (At 10/21/21 hearing, probation period extended (10/2/21 to 4/21/22))

PROBATION EXTENDED TO DECEMBER 31, 2022

# OTHER LICENSE/APPLICATION/REQUEST DENIED

[Comm. Minn moved for denial; Comm. Hullinger seconded; Vote 4:0]

H M Taufaasau & Associates, Inc., dba Hanks Café Honolulu

Dispenser General license (Category No. 3 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing) 1038 Nuuanu Avenue

Requesting reconsideration of the denial on April 21, 2022 of Request No. 22-24634 (Request No. 22-24634 --Requesting approval to temporarily increase its licensed premises on Thursday, May 5, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.)

## **ADJUDICATION HEARINGS**

[Comm. Miyashiro moved to accept or amend recommended penalty; Comm. Hullinger seconded; Vote 4:0]

Hard Rock Café International (STP), Inc., dba Hard Rock Café

Restaurant General (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing) 280 Beach Walk

Charge 1

Violation: Section 281-41(i), HRS [Failure to timely notify in writing of name, age, and residence of

officers or directors]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$750 penalty (prior)

Charge 2

Violation: Section 281-41(i), HRS [Failure to timely notify in writing of name, age, and residence of

officer or director]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: Letter of reprimand

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FG Restaurant, LLC, dba TR Fire Grill

Restaurant General (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

2330 Kuhio Avenue

Violation: Section 281-41(e), HRS [Licensee, a limited liability company (hereinafter "LLC"), failed

to notify the Commission, in writing, of the name, age and place of residence of the member or members who have withdrawn and/or who have been admitted, prior to such

admission or withdrawal]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$500 penalty; \$500 suspended if no similar violation within one year

Marriott Hotel Services, Inc., dba Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort

Hotel General

2552 Kalakaua Avenue

Violation: Section 281-41(i), HRS [Failure to timely notify in writing of name, age, and residence of

officer or director]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: Letter of reprimand

777 Ventures, Inc. (nka Waikiki Gangnam Style Inc.),

dba Wok Kiki Buffet and Bar (nka Waikiki Gangnam Style Inc.)

Restaurant General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)

1830 Ala Moana Boulevard

Violation: Section 281-41(i), HRS [Failure to timely notify in writing of name, age, and residence of

officers or directors]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: Letter of reprimand

777 Ventures, Inc. (nka Waikiki Gangnam Style Inc.),

dba Wok Kiki Buffet and Bar (nka Waikiki Gangnam Style Inc.)

Restaurant General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)

1830 Ala Moana Boulevard

Violation: Section 281-41(h), HRS [Licensee, without Commission approval, transferred its

business to another person, either openly or under any undisclosed arrangement, whereby such other person came into possession or control of the business, or took in

any partner or associate]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$500 penalty

Waikiki Gangnam Style Inc., dba Waikiki Gangnam Style Inc.

Restaurant General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)

1830 Ala Moana Boulevard

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.8 [Failure to timely submit employee registration list]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$250 penalty

Fat Fat Corporation, dba 8 Fat Fat 8 Bar & Grille

Dispenser General (Categories No. 3 & 4 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing; and Hostess)

1327 South Beretania Street

Violation: Section 281-38, HRS [Failure to comply with laws applicable to the business of Licensee,

whether in existence at the time of issue of such license or enacted or amended from time to time thereafter, to wit, Emergency Order No. 2021-09, regarding COVID-19]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$500 penalty

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LY, Corporation, dba Back to Vegas

Dispenser General (Categories No. 3 & 4 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing; and Hostess)

1320 Kalani Street

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.8 [Failure to timely submit employee registration list]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$250 penalty

I Square Heaven LLC, dba Bombay Palace Restaurant

Restaurant General (Category No. 2 - Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

1778 Ala Moana Boulevard, Suite 213

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.8 [Failure to timely submit employee registration list]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: Letter of reprimand

I Square Heaven LLC, dba Bombay Palace Restaurant

Restaurant General (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

1778 Ala Moana Boulevard, Suite 213

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.8 [Failure to timely submit employee registration list]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$250 penalty

# ADJUDICATION HEARINGS – CONTINUED TO MAY 26, 2022 [No objection by Commission]

939 Entertainment LLC, dba Club 939

Dispenser General (Categories No. 2 & 4 – Nudity and Hostess)

939 Keeaumoku Street

Charge 1

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.5(a) [Improper registration of employee]

Charge 2

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.5(e) [Failure to ensure that its employee has his/her certificate of

registration for the licensed premises readily available for inspection while on duty]

Charge 3

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.6(a) [Improper registration of dancer]

Charge 4

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.5(a) [Improper registration of employee]

Charge 5

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.4(b) [Failure to make time record entries at the time its employees reported

on duty and again when the employees went off duty]

CONTINUED TO MAY 26, 2022 (Charges 1 to 5)

Dave & Buster's of Hawaii, Inc., dba Dave & Buster's

Restaurant General (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

1030 Auahi Street

Violation: Section 281-38, HRS [Failure to comply with laws applicable to the business of Licensee,

whether in existence at the time of issue of such license or enacted or amended from time to time thereafter, to wit, Emergency Order No. 2022-01, regarding COVID-19]

CONTINUED TO MAY 26, 2022

# **CONTESTED ADJUDICATION HEARING**

[Comm. Miyashiro moved to find allegations sustained and accept recommended penalty; Comm. Hullinger seconded; Vote 4:0]

Aloha Pronto Waikiki, LLC, dba Aloha Beer Downtown

Restaurant General (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

220 South King Street

Violation: Section 281-38, HRS [Failure to comply with laws applicable to the business of Licensee,

whether in existence at the time of issue of such license or enacted or amended from time to time thereafter, to wit, Emergency Order No. 2021-09, regarding COVID-19]

Plea: Deny allegations

Disposition: Allegations sustained; \$500 penalty